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THE ORDER. HE SAID THE ORDER ISSUED BY THE COMMANDER IN CHIEF OF THE ARMY TWO DAYS BEFORE WAS TO LET THE WORLD KNOW THAT THE RIGHT WING IS OBEYING THE CEASE FIRE. BUT IN REALITY THEY SOMETIMES LAUNCH OFFENSIVES, AND SOMETIMES FIGHT DEFENSIVELY. IT ALL DEPENDS ON FAVORABLE MOVEMENTS AND ON THE GOOD OR ILL WILL OF THE TWO OTHER OPPOSING GROUPS. HE ADDED THAT SO LONG AS THE THREE GROUPS DO NOT RESPECT THE CEASE FIRE, OTHER QUESTIONS REMAIN PENDING, BUT THE RIGHT WING IS DOING EVERYTHING POSSIBLE IN ORDER THAT THE CEASE FIRE WILL BE RESPECTED.

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- 2. ON LIBERATION OF POLITICAL PRISONERS, PHOUMI SAID THE OTHER TWO GROUPS HAVE NOT FREED ANY MEN; THEREFORE, THE RIGHT WING ALSO WILL NOT FREE ANY. THE DETAINEES RELEASED AT SAVANNAKHET WERE NOT IMPORTANT PEOPLE. PHOUM! SAID THAT CONTRARY TO RELEASE, THE RIGHT WING WILL ALWAYS ARREST THOSE WHO OPPOSE AND PRESENT A DANGER TO THE RIGHT WING.
- 3. THE REQUEST THAT THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY GRANT SPECIAL POWERS TO THE GOVT FOR ONE YEAR IS DESIGNED TO MAINTAIN THE ASSEMBLY AS PROVIDED FOR IN THE CONSTITUTION. PHOUMI ASKED THAT THE PDSP MEMBERS VOTE TO GIVE THESE POWERS TO THE GOVT SO IT WILL BE STRONG AND ABLE TO DO GOOD FOR THE COUNTRY.
 - 4. ON 3 OCTOBER THE PERMANENT COMMITTEE OF THE NATIONAL

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ASSEMBLY DECIDED TO GIVE THE GOVT SPECIAL POWERS ONLY UNTIL 11 MAY 63 BECAUSE ACCORDING TO THE CONSTITUTION THE ASSEMBLY MUST OPEN ITS ORDINARY SESSION ON 11 MAY. AFTER OPENING THE ASSEMBLY, IT MUST ELECT NEW OFFICERS. IF THE GOVT STILL WANTS FULL POWERS AFTER THAT DATE, THE ASSEMBLY WILL GRANT THEM A SECOND TIME.

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